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TO AMEMBASSY TRIPOLI

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, LY, US

SUBJECT: AL-BALAGH ARTICLE ON NOVEMBER 14

REF: TRIPOLI 1236

1. WE READ AL-BALAGH ARTICLE PRIMARILY AS EFFORT TO MAKE THE US A SCAPEGOAT FOR EXISTING POOR RELATIONS BETWEEN LIBYA AND EGYPT. SINCE MUCH OF THE ARTICLE IS DIRECTED NOT AT THE ALLEGATIONS IN THE ANDERSON ARTICLE BUT RATHER AT SUPPOSED US MEDDLING IN LIBYAN-EGYPTIAN AFFAIRS, WE BELIEVE IT DESIRABLE TO AVOID DIGNIFYING THESE CHARGES.

2. ON OTHER HAND, WE AGREE THAT LIBYAN GOVERNMENT MAY TAKE ANDERSON ARTICLE SERIOUSLY AND THAT THIS COULD RESULT IN A MISCALCULATION OF US INTENTIONS. DO NOT BELIEVE YOU SHOULD TAKE ANY INITIATIVE. IF RAISED WITH YOU, HOWEVER, YOU SHOULD MAKE LOW KEY APPROACH IN MFA CONVEYING WHITE HOUSE RESPONSE TO PRESS INQUIRY ON ANDERSON ARTICLE (STATE 247333) BUT AVOIDING ANY INITIATIVE ON SUBJECT OF LIBYAN-EGYPTIAN

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RELATIONS. IF MFA RAISES THIS SUBJECT, YOU SHOULD REPLY

THAT WE DO NOT MEDDLE IN EGYPTIAN-LIBYAN AFFAIRS. INGERSOLL

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